

Nursaries, York.

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Dear Dr. Gray

Small box, safely to hand
containing Agave utahensis
for which many thanks.

Also for the most interesting
pamphlet on Botanical
explorations in Western Wyoming
&c, for which I am also in-
debted to thy kindness I suppose.
Did not the travellers last
year succeed in obtaining
seed of the choice things that
are enumerated - Aquilegia
Jonesii &c? If so it is much
to be regretted, & I understand
that M. Roeml (the Mexican &
Bancalero) intends to start im-
mediately for the region of

them. - i. e., the "Yellow Stone region"
doubtless with an eye to intro-
duce them into England first.
I cannot blame his energy
- far otherwise; but I shall
nevertheless feel sorry if
he supplant Dr. Parry.

Could any dried specimens
of the plants of that region
be spared for me? I would
gladly purchase a series, such
as I understand were forward.
And permit me to ask when
the rest of thy own invalu-
able work on the Flora of
N. America is likely to be
published? Having been favour-
ed with one half of it, I
long to see the rest! But pray
let me pay for it, for I know
such works are very costly.

I want to get Engelmann's
descriptions of the genera
Streptes

Prunella suffruticosa is
prospering to do well this
year. We have several
growing very nicely, & lots
of P. Parryi. The 3 Pentst-
mons are all in flower.
Lewisia does best in a cold
moist position, where not a
ray of sun can reach it.

Should opportunity occur, I
could well take in another
100 good roots of Cypripedium
and if a chance presents for
half a dozen strong roots of
Clitoria Mariana, please do
not forget it.

Silene regia is doing well

with us; but most unfortunately
the plant sent was a wretchedly
bad variety of it! with very
small flowers & very narrow,
incised petals - widely different
from the description of the flowers
in the Manual. A plant of
Polygala pacifica is in bloom
with us & very pretty. We
have the fine Cypripedium
- Macranthum in flower also - a rarity!

Very truly thy fd
John Bucknell